MYSORE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

NOTE ON THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN MYSORE STATE FOR THE WEEK ENDED THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1940.

A total of 27 attacks with 17 deaths from Plague was returned during the week against 19 attacks with 9 deaths in the previous week. Cities of Bangalore and Mysore and Kolar Gold Field Area continued to remain free from the disease. Comparative figures for the corresponding week in 1939 and 1938 were 31 attacks, with 20 deaths and 47 attacks with 42 deaths, respectively.

A total of 21 attacks with 2 deaths from Small-pox were reported from one village in Honnali Taluk, Malvalli and Tumkur Towns, Kolar Gold Field Area and from Bangalore City.

The State remained free from Cholera, Influenza and Relapsing Fever.

The total mortality for Bangalore City amounted to 138 (35 in hospitals), representing a calculated death-rate of 32·2 (24·0 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 24·9 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths numbered 2 under Small-pox, 1 under Malaria, 5 under Typhoid, 2 under Other Fevers, 8 under Phthisis, 30 under Dysentery and Diarrhœa and 90 under all other causes. The reported mortality was high due to increase in deaths under Dysentery and Diarrhœa.

During the week, the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, returned 83 deaths (12 in hospitals), representing a calculated death-rate of 29·1 (24·7 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 23·7 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths were Broncho-Pneumonia 1, Pneumonia 8, Typhoid 1, Phthisis 2, Dysentery and Diarrhœa 19, and all other causes 52. The reported mortality was normal.

The total mortality for Mysore City was 65 (24 in hospitals), representing a calculated death-rate of 26·2 (16·5 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 18·5 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths were Malaria 3, Other Fevers 5, Phthisis 8, Dysentery and Diarrhœa 11, and all other causes 38. The reported mortality was normal.

There were 66 deaths (7 in hospitals) from all causes in Kolar Gold Field Area equivalent to a calculated death-rate of 41·5 (37·1 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 21·3 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths numbered 2 under Malaria, 1 under Typhoid, 7 under Other Fevers, 1 under Phthisis, 9 under Dysentery and Diarrhœa and 46 under all other causes. The reported mortality was high due to increase in deaths under all other causes.

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